

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A CDMA receiver for receiving transmission signals transmitted from a first plurality of users and putting out message signals included in the respective transmission signals, the CDMA receiver comprising:

5 a second plurality of antennas;

radio portions, fed by respective antennas, for providing reception signals derived from said respective antennas;

matrix calculation means for performing a matrix calculation by using said reception signals to provide at least a common correlation matrix;

10 adaptive array antenna signal processing portions provided for respective users, each adaptive array antenna signal processing portion being supplied with said reception signals from said radio portions; and

detectors, provided for respective users, for detecting said message signals from output signals of said adaptive array antenna signal processing portions, wherein each of said adaptive array antenna signal processing  
15 portions comprises:

said second plurality of matched filters, each of said matched filters being configured to match a spreading code of each user to provide a despread signal;

20 means for calculating a weight vector by using a result of said matrix calculation;

said second plurality of multipliers for weighing said despread signals from said matched filters with respective elements of said weight vector to provide weighed despread signals; and

25 means for combining said weighed despread signals into one of said output signals associated with each user.

2. A CDMA receiver as defined in claim 1, wherein said matrix calculation means includes means for calculating an inverse matrix of said correlation matrix, wherein the CDMA receiver further comprises means for obtaining a response vector by using reference signals inserted in said despread  
5 signals, and wherein said means for calculating a weight vector comprises means for calculating said weight vector by using said inverse matrix and said response vector.

3. A CDMA receiver for receiving a transmission signal transmitted  
10 from each of at least one user and putting out a message signal included in the transmission signal, the CDMA receiver comprising:

a first plurality of antennas;

radio portions, fed by respective antennas, for providing reception  
signals derived from said respective antennas;

15 matrix calculation means for performing a matrix calculation by using said reception signals to provide at least a common correlation matrix;

at least one RAKE receiving portion provided for said at least one user,  
each RAKE receiving portion being supplied with said reception signals from  
said radio portions; and

20 one or more detector(s), provided for said at least one user, for detecting said message signal(s) from output signal(s) of said at least one RAKE receiving portion(s), wherein each of said at least one RAKE receiving portion comprises:

matched filters each being supplied with said reception signals  
25 from said radio portions and configured to match a spreading code of each user to provide a despread signal;

adaptive array antenna signal processing portions provided for a

second plurality of propagation paths of each transmission signal, each of said adaptive array antenna signal processing portions being supplied with said despread signals from said matched filters; and

means for combining signals output from said adaptive array  
5 antenna signal processing portions to provide one of said output signal(s) of said at least one RAKE receiving portion(s), wherein each of said at least one RAKE receiving portion(s) comprises:

means for calculating a weight vector adapted to one of  
said propagation paths by using a result of said matrix calculation;  
10 said first plurality of multipliers for weighing said despread signals with respective elements of said weight vector to obtain weighed despread signals; and

means for combining said weighed despread signals into a transmission signal component that has passed through said one of said propagation paths.

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4. A CDMA receiver as defined in claim 3, wherein said matrix calculation means includes means for calculating an inverse matrix of said correlation matrix, wherein each of said adaptive array antenna signal processing portions further comprises means for passing reference signals  
20 inserted in said despread signals through respective filters configured to match said reference signals that have passed through said one of said propagation paths to obtain a response vector, and wherein said means for calculating a weight vector comprises means for calculating said weight vector by using said inverse matrix and said response vector.

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5. A CDMA receiver of receiving a transmission signal transmitted from each of a first plurality of users and putting out a message signal included

in the transmission signal, the CDMA receiver comprising:

a second plurality of antennas;

radio portions, fed by respective antennas, for providing reception signals derived from said respective antennas;

5 means for calculating a conversion matrix from said reception signals; and

means for converting said reception signals by using said conversion matrix to obtain respective converted signals;

adaptive array antenna signal processing portions provided for  
10 respective users, each adaptive array antenna signal processing portion being supplied with said reception signals from said radio portions; and

detectors, provided for respective users, for each detecting said message signal from an output signal of each adaptive array antenna signal processing portion, wherein each of said adaptive array antenna signal  
15 processing portions comprises:

said second plurality of matched filters configured to match a spreading code of each user to provide respective despread signals;

means for maximum-ratio combining said respective despread signals to provide said output signal of each adaptive  
20 array antenna signal processing portion.

6. A CDMA receiver as defined in claim 5, wherein said means for maximum-ratio combining said respective despread signals comprises:

means for passing reference signals inserted in said respective  
25 despread signals through respective filters configured to match said reference signals to obtain a response vector;

means for weighing said respective despread signals with said

response vector to obtain weighed despread signals; and

means for combining said weighed despread signals into said transmission signal associated with each user.

5 7. A CDMA receiver as defined in claim 5, wherein said means for calculating a conversion matrix comprises:

means for calculating a correlation matrix from said reception signals;

eigen-analyzing said correlation matrix to obtain eigenvalues  $\{\lambda_j \mid j = 1, 2, \dots, M\}$  and eigenvectors  $\{e_j \mid j = 1, 2, \dots, M\}$ , where M is a number of

10 antennas; and

means for calculating said conversion matrix  $\Lambda$ , which is defined by:

$$\Lambda = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{e_1}{\sqrt{\lambda_1}} & \frac{e_2}{\sqrt{\lambda_2}} & \dots & \frac{e_M}{\sqrt{\lambda_M}} \end{bmatrix}^T.$$

8. A CDMA receiver as defined in claim 7, wherein said means for  
15 converting said reception signals comprises means for calculating  $\Lambda^H[x_1 \ x_2 \ \dots \ x_M]^T$  to obtain a resultant matrix whose elements consists of said respective converted signals, where  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_M$  are said reception signals.

9. A CDMA receiver as defined in claim 5, wherein said means for  
20 maximum-ratio combining said respective despread signals includes means for performing a RAKE reception.

10. A CDMA receiver as defined in any of claims 1, 3 and 5, further comprising:

25 means for making a test to see if a level of a signal applied to each of said matched filters is as low as noises; and

means, responsive to an affirmative result of said test, for preventing said signal from being used subsequently.

11. A CDMA receiver as defined in claim 7, further comprising:

5 means for making a test to see if a level of each eigenvalue is as low as noises; and

means, responsive to an affirmative result of said test, for excluding an element derived from said low-level eigenvalue from said conversion vector.

10 12. A CDMA receiver as defined in claim 1 or 3, wherein said means for calculating a weight vector uses an SMI algorithm.

13. A CDMA receiver as defined in claim 1 or 3, wherein said means for calculating a weight vector uses an RLS algorithm.

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14. A CDMA receiver as defined in claim 2, wherein said means for obtaining a response vector comprises means for passing said reference signals through respective filters configured to match said reference signals.

20 15. A CDMA receiver as defined in claim 2, wherein said means for obtaining a response vector comprises means for using said reference signals as said response vector.

25 16. A CDMA receiver as defined in claim 2, wherein said means for obtaining a response vector comprises:

means for detecting said despread signals in a user data transmission period other than reference signal transmission period; and

means for using said detected despread signals as said reference  
signals to obtain said response vector.

17. A CDMA receiver as defined in any of claims 1, 3 and 5, wherein a  
5 long code is used as said spreading code.

18. A method of extracting a transmission signal transmitted from  
each of a first plurality of users from reception signals derived from a second  
plurality of antennas constituting an antenna array in a CDMA receiver  
10 wherein the reception signals have not yet passed through respective matched  
filters, the method comprising:  
the step of performing a matrix calculation by using said reception  
signals to provide at least a common correlation matrix; and the steps, executed  
for each user, of:  
15 passing said reception signals through respective matched filters  
configured to match a spreading code of each user to obtain respective despread  
signals;  
calculating a weight vector by using a result of said matrix calculation;  
weighing said respective despread signals with said weight vector to  
20 obtain weighed despread signals; and  
combining said weighed despread signals into said transmission signal  
associated with each user.

19. A method as defined in claim 18, wherein said matrix calculation  
25 includes calculating a inverse matrix of said correlation matrix, wherein the  
method further comprises the step of obtaining a response vector by using  
reference signals inserted in said respective despread signals, and wherein said

step of calculating a weight vector comprises the step of calculating said weight vector by using said inverse matrix and said response vector.

20. A method of extracting a transmission signal transmitted from  
5 each of at least one user from reception signals derived from a second plurality of antennas constituting an antenna array in a CDMA receiver wherein the reception signals have not yet passed through respective matched filters, the method comprising the steps of:

performing a matrix calculation by using said reception signals to  
10 provide at least a common correlation matrix; and

passing said reception signals through respective matched filters  
configured to match a spreading code assigned to each of said at least one user to obtain respective despread signals, the method further comprising the steps,  
executed for each of a plurality of propagation paths of said transmission signal,  
15 of:

calculating a weight vector adapted to one of said  
propagation paths by using a result of said matrix calculation;

weighing said respective despread signals with said weight  
vector to obtain weighed despread signals; and

20 combining said weighed despread signals into a  
transmission signal component that has passed through said one of  
said propagation paths, the method further comprising the step of:  
combining said transmission signal components for said at least one  
user into said transmission signal.

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21. A method as defined in claim 20, wherein said matrix calculation includes calculating a inverse matrix of said correlation matrix, wherein the



method further comprises the step of passing reference signals inserted in said  
respective despread signals through respective filters configured to match said  
reference signals that have passed through said one of said propagation paths  
to obtain a response vector, and wherein said step of calculating a weight vector  
5 comprises the step of calculating said weight vector by using said inverse  
matrix and said response vector.

22. A method of extracting a transmission signal transmitted from  
each of a first plurality of users from reception signals derived from a second  
10 plurality of antennas constituting an antenna array in a CDMA receiver  
wherein the reception signals have not yet passed through respective matched  
filters, the method comprising the steps of:

calculating a conversion matrix from said reception signals; and  
converting said reception signals by using said conversion matrix to  
15 obtain respective converted signals, the method further comprising the steps,  
executed for each user, of:

passing said respective converted signals through respective matched  
filters configured to match a spreading code of each user to obtain respective  
despread signals;

20 maximum-ratio combining said respective despread signals into said  
transmission signal associated with each user.

23. A method as defined in claim 22, wherein said step of maximum-  
ratio combining said respective despread signals comprises the steps of:

25 passing reference signals inserted in said respective despread signals  
through respective filters configured to match said reference signals to obtain a  
response vector;

weighing said respective despread signals with said response vector to  
obtain weighed despread signals; and

combining said weighed despread signals into said transmission signal  
associated with each user.

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24. A method as defined in claim 22, wherein said step of maximum-  
ratio combining said respective despread signals includes the step of  
performing a RAKE reception.

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25. A method as defined in any of claims 18, 20 and 22, further  
comprising the steps of:

making a test to see if a level of a signal applied to each of said  
matched filters is as low as noises; and

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in response to an affirmative result of said test, preventing said signal  
from being used subsequently.

26. A method as defined in claim 18 or 20, wherein said step of  
calculating a weight vector uses an SMI algorithm.

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27. A method as defined in claim 18 or 20, wherein said step of  
calculating a weight vector uses an RLS algorithm.

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28. A method as defined in claim 19, wherein said the step of obtaining  
a response vector comprises the step of passing said reference signals through  
respective filters configured to match said reference signals.

29. A method as defined in claim 19, wherein said the step of obtaining

a response vector comprises the step of using said reference signals as said response vector.

30. A method as defined in claim 19, wherein said the step of obtaining  
5 a response vector comprises the steps of:

detecting said despread signals in a user data transmission period  
other than reference signal transmission period; and

using said detected despread signals as said reference signals to obtain  
said response vector.

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31. A method as defined in any of claims 18, 20 and 22, wherein a long  
code is used as said spreading code.